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BULLETIN OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

THE ANNUAL MEETINGS AND REPORTS

THE annual meetings of the Governing Members and of the Trustees were held respectively upon June 3 and June 5. The only change in the Board of Trustees was the election of William O. Goodman to succeed Daniel H. Burnham, deceased. There was no change in Officers or Committees.

The annual reports show that the receipts of the museum during the year have been \$160,111.67 and the expenses \$156,287.61; of the school, receipts \$74,930.44, expenses \$76,393.21; total, museum and school receipts, \$235,042.11; expenses, \$232,680.82; favorable balance, \$2,361.29. The endowment fund amounts to \$580,071.34. The number of members of all classes is 3,815, a gain of 143 over last year. The receipts from memberships were \$51,431.78. The total number of visitors to the museum was 925,607, a gain of 64,596 over last year. The whole number of students in the school was 2,886; of visitors to the library, 77,615; of attendants at lectures, 100,479.

The most important accessions during the year have been the Burnham Library Bequest of \$50,000, the Amelia Blanxius

Memorial Collection of Earthenware and Porcelain, the Gunsaulus Collection of Old Wedgwood, and the paintings presented by the Friends of American Art.

The following Governing Members have died: Marshall F. Holmes, Horace E. Horton, Daniel H. Burnham, Thies J. Lefens and Arthur M. Barnhart.

The extension of open hours of the museum until 6 p. m. daily and on Sundays from 12:15 to 10 p. m. continuously, has been successful and has been made permanent.

The past year has been especially distinguished by exhibitions of foreign art, of which there have been eleven different exhibitions. The whole number of temporary exhibitions of all kinds has been thirty-eight. The activity of the Art Institute in this respect far exceeds that of any other art museum.

The report of the librarian, Miss Van Horne, shows that the Ryerson Library has reached the number of 8,276 volumes. Spaciously and beautifully installed, this small library is wonderfully useful and has been visited during the year by more than 75,000 persons. The librarian aptly observes that "a library of 8,000 volumes used by 80,000 people is a better asset than a library of 80,000 volumes used by 8,000 people."



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